Replacement of obsolete equipments

4029. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA :
SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that electronic equipments that are used by air traffic controllers all over India are old and obsolete; and

(b) if so, whether Government have any plan to replace the old equipments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Airports Authority of India (AAI) plans replacement of equipments used by Air Traffic Controllers as per requirements from time to time.

Training institutes under DGCA

†4030. PROF. R. B. S. VARMA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the number of technical training institutes recognised by Government so far for AME Licence course through DGCA;

(b) the names of the institutions which have been recognised out of them during the last three years alongwith the year-wise details thereof ; and

(c) the total number of students passed the examination from these institutions during last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : (a) There are 27 training institutes in the country which have been approved by Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) to impart ab-initio training in the field of Aircraft Maintenance Engineering (AME). Besides, approval has also been granted to 5 training institutes of Defence for training their officers for appearing in licence examination conducted by DGCA.

(b) No AME training institute was approved by DGCA during the year 2000. During the year 2001, School of Aeronautics, New Delhi was approved. During the year 2002, Hindustan Academy of Aircraft Maintenance Engineers,

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Lucknow, Indian Institute of Aeronautics, New Delhi, Indian Institute of Aircraft Engineering, New Delhi, College of Aeronautical Engineering and Technology, Meerut, Academy of Aerospace and Aviation, Indore and Institute of Aeronautics and Engineering, Bhopal were approved.

(c) A total of 708 students have passed different papers of DGCA's examination from these institutes during the last three years.

Cargo handling of airports in Gujarat

4031. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the details of airports in Gujarat which are having cargo handling facilities at present, airport-wise;

(b) the details of cargo handled by each of them during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the details of airports in the State where cargo handling facilities are proposed to be made available within next few years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : (a) Cargo handling facilities are available only at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport at Ahmedabad and this facility is operated by Gujarat State Export Corporation Ltd., a State Government Undertaking.

(b) Details of cargo handled by this agency during the years 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 are 4841 Metric Tonne(MT), 3434 MT and 4079 MT respectively.

(c) There is no proposal with Airports Authority of India to have cargo handling facilities at other airports in Gujarat, at present.

Guidelines on FDI in aviation sector

4032. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY. :

SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to allow 49 per cent FDI in the key areas of civil aviation;

(b) if so, whether the clearance for foreign investment in civil aviation would be done on a case-to-case basis;